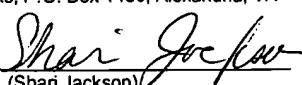


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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The United States Patent and Trademark Office issued an office action on March 23, 2006. A response was due on June 23, 2006. Applicants are concurrently requesting a two-month extension of time. Therefore, a response is now due August 23, 2006. Accordingly, this response is being timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

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